INFORMATION BULLETIN #39

SALES TAX

DECEMBER 2002

(Replaces Bulletin #39, dated September, 1994)

DISCLAIMER:

Information Bulletins are intended to provide nontechnical assistance to the general public. Every attempt is made to provide information that is consistent with the appropriate statutes, rules and court decisions. Any information that is not consistent with the law, regulations or court decisions is not binding on either the Department or the taxpayer. Therefore, the information provided herein should serve only as a foundation for further investigation and study of the current law and procedures

related to the subject matter covered herein.

SUBJECT: **Insurance Companies**

REFERENCES: IC 6-2.5-3; IC 6-2.5-4

The purchase of all personal property used or consumed by the insurance company is subject to either sales or use tax. Sales tax should normally be paid to the seller at the time of purchase. However, if the seller is an out-ofstate merchant or if sales tax is not paid at the time of purchase, the insurance company is liable for the payment of use tax.

If the insurance company is a registered retail merchant, purchases subject to use tax must be reported on Form ST-103 at the same time any sales tax is reported. If the insurance company is not a registered retail

Information Bulletin #39 Page #2

Kenneth Refieler

merchant, any use tax due must be listed and remitted to the Indiana Department of Revenue on Form ST-115.

Kenneth L. Miller Commissioner